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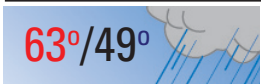
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Students working on Western's farm work with horses and other large animals gaining experience for future animal science and pre-veterinary careers.

No horsing around

Pre-vet students put in extra hours, hard work, for limited vet school spaces

AMBER COULTER
Herald contributor

While Jenks Britt worked on the house that he and his fiancé would soon move into, his mother arrived with a letter to him from Auburn University.

A nerve-racking three-month wait to hear from the school preceded her arrival.

"My mother brought me the mail," he said. "She said 'Look at this letter,' and it was pretty thick, so that was pretty exciting."

The envelope's girth was a good sign because Auburn students told him that thin envelopes held rejection letters, but a stuffed envelope meant acceptance and additional information about the school.

Britt became a veterinarian after graduating from Auburn in 1970. He later became an associate professor of agriculture and the head of the agriculture department at Western.

More veterinary schools and less competition for spots exist today, he said. But many students still get rejected

every year because the program doesn't have enough seats for every student who wants to become a veterinarian.

Some officials hope that increasing the number of Kentucky students getting acceptance letters from veterinary schools could ease the problems caused by a nationwide shortage of food-animal veterinarians.

In September, 36 Kentucky counties lacked any food-animal veterinarians within their borders, according to data on the American Veterinary Association Web site.

Of those counties, 17 held between 5,000 and 25,000 food animals and in one county, more than 25,000 food animals.

This semester, it's been legislators in Frankfort checking the mail.

Pre-veterinary students and faculty members throughout the state launched a successful letter-writing campaign to persuade legislators to approve paying for an additional 10 slots for the Veterinary Medicine Contract Spaces program, despite a budget shortfall that cut higher education deep.

SEE **PRE-VET**, PAGE 5A

Students may suffer from Fed's loan cuts

MICHELLE DAY
Herald reporter

Rising tuition costs may force Kiara Edwards to leave Western if the she can't find enough money to pay for her education.

The Lexington freshman said scholarships are hard to find, and there aren't enough ways to pay for college.

Edwards, like many students at Western, takes out a student loan to pay for college expenses.

But the loan market is becoming uncertain, and about 45 lenders have announced they no longer offer federal student loans, said Kevin Bruns, executive director of America's Student Loan Providers (ASLP), which represents companies and organizations that provide federal loans to students.

Most students who borrow money for college would get a federal student loan first and then apply for a private loan if that weren't enough, Bruns said.

Federal loans have a lower interest rate than private loans and fewer requirements for approval, Bruns said.

It's a problem for some families to get private loans because some companies have stopped offering them and others are making it tougher to qualify, he said.

This means low-income families with credit problems could face higher interest rates on private loans or not be able to get a private loan at all, he said.

Companies began losing money after Congress cut support for loan agencies 85 percent last fall, Bruns said.

"The federal government made a promise to lenders that if you're willing to make these loans, we'll assure you a profit margin," he said. "They basically eliminated that margin with the budget cuts."

Cynthia Burnette, director of student financial assistance, attended a state conference this week to learn exactly how changes in the loan market will affect Western.

SEE **LOAN**, PAGE 3A



AARON BORTON/HERALD

Hermion Wafford, left, yells at the rally for Sen. Barack Obama at Fountain Square Park on Tuesday afternoon to celebrate the opening of his Bowling Green campaign office.

Obama campaign opens local office

EILEEN RYAN
Herald reporter

The grassroots group of Obama supporters who gathered in Fountain Square Park on Tuesday shouted that they were "fired up" and "ready to go."

More than 150 people showed up for a rally to celebrate the opening of Sen. Barack Obama's Bowling Green presidential campaign office. About half of the park was filled.

The national campaign decided to open offices in Kentucky within the last month, and with short notice before the opening rally, many supporters and volunteers heard about it through e-mail and word of mouth, said Shailen Bhatt, the regional field director of the campaign.

Bhatt sent out e-mails and made phone calls to spread word of the rally.

Western graduate Daniel Pawley found out about the rally

through my.barackobama.com, which is similar to the social networking application MySpace.

When Kyle Springer heard about the office opening, he volunteered to stay up until 1 a.m. painting the windows in preparation.

"This campaign flies by the seat of its pants," Springer said. "It takes a lot of volunteer support."

Bhatt started the rally off by pumping up the crowd.

SEE **OBAMA**, PAGE 7A

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► CRIME REPORTS

Reports

- ◆ Jill Grajek, Nicholasville, reported on April 15 the loss of a wallet from her purse in the Academic Complex. The value of the theft was \$20.
- ◆ Rachelle Elam, Louisville, reported on April 15 the theft of a book bag and its contents from Garrett Food Court. The value of the theft was \$379.99.
- ◆ William Fields, Canteen Services Co. of Bowling Green, reported on April 14 the theft of eight money bags from a work truck parked at south campus. The value of the theft was \$862.00.

► CORRECTIONS

Due to Herald error, the Herald wrongly reported in a front-page story on April 15 that Gov. Steve Beshear pocket vetoed the state budget, so the cuts to education were officially law.
The governor actually pocket vetoed the legislative branch budget but not the executive branch budget, which the cuts are a part of.
The Herald regrets the error.

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MARY POWERS



As the semester comes to a close and the once far-off prospect of final exams becomes a reality, Ting Ting Zhao, from China, top; and Yu-Pin Cheng, center; and Po-Chien Cheng, bottom, of Taiwan spend their Wednesday afternoon studying in the Helm-Cravens Library. “I’m getting bored,” Zhao said, “We’ve been in here all day.”

The three had a light-hearted study session with friends behind the reference section. For the 500 Western students from other countries, the library is a perfect place to study without distraction, as well as a social outlet for students to study together. During finals week, the Helm-Cravens library will offer extended hours to students, from 8 a.m to 2 a.m.

► NEWS BRIEFS

Chester L. Davis, former professor, dies at 84

Chester L. Davis, the man who brought the first computer classes to Ogden College, died at his home in Bowling Green on Monday. He was 84.
Davis was a professor emeritus of the computer science department.
He joined the mathematics department at Western in 1967, after working at the mechanical engineering department of the University of Toledo in Toledo, Ohio.
In World War II, Davis served in the combat engineers of the 104th Infantry Division of the U.S. Army.
Davis was involved in many community activities including the Bowling Green-Warren County Public Library Board, the American Cancer-Patient transportation program and various offices at Christ United Methodist Church.
Visitation will be tomorrow from 4 to 8 p.m. at J. C. Kirby &

Son Lovers Lane Chapel, and from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. on Saturday.
The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home.
Check wkuherald.com today and Tuesday’s paper for an updated profile of Davis.

Student charged with indecent exposure

Marreon D. Allen, Bowling Green freshman, was arrested on April 15 on charges of indecent exposure and criminal trespassing, campus police reported.
A campus police officer, doing a walk through in Gordon Wilson Hall just after 3:30 a.m., saw Allen masturbating before a computer in a lounge reserved for faculty and staff, the report stated.
Police said that Allen, who didn’t have an after hours pass to be in the lounge, had been previously warned by campus police on April 10 because of criminal trespassing.
Allen was transported to the Warren County Regional Jail

where he was released the same day on a court order.

Assault reported in Cravens Library

Addison D. James, Adairville, reported to campus police on April 15 an assault on the second floor of Cravens Library.
James told police that he got into an argument in class with William A. Pape from Bowling Green, said Maj. Mike Wallace, campus police public information officer.
Wallace said the two took the argument to the stairwell after class where “someone threw a punch or pushed someone.”
James was treated and released for a broken nose at the Medical Center of Bowling Green, Wallace said.
Pape told police that James made a derogatory remark toward him, Wallace said.
A report was taken and Wallace said no charges have been filed.

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POLICE

Sophomore charged with four felonies after pursuit

LARRY ROWELL
Herald reporter

A sophomore from Ashland City, Tenn., is facing four felony charges after she was arrested by Louisville Metro police on I-65 south of Louisville.

Allison A. Fitzhugh faces four counts of wanton endangerment after almost hitting two parked police cars and a construction worker, police reported.

She was arrested shortly after 2 a.m. on April 9.

Fitzhugh also faces charges of endangering the life of a passenger in the car she was driving, the report stated.

Wanton endangerment in the first degree, a Class D felony, involves circumstances that manifest extreme indifference to the value of human life, engaging in conduct that creates a substantial danger of death or serious physical injury to another person, the law states.

Additional charges include driving under the influence, possession of marijuana, resisting arrest and menacing officers, said Officer Phil Russell, public information officer for Louisville Metro police.

Police said Fitzhugh drove at a high rate of speed in a construction area of an I-65 south-bound ramp from I-64 west, almost hit a parked police car and then hit about 10 to 15 traffic cones.

She then drove into a closed

traffic lane coming within 25 feet of a second parked police car, the police report stated.

Just past the second police car, Fitzhugh almost hit a construction worker sweeping the lane, police said.

The report said that Fitzhugh's car stopped after running into the concrete center median.

She then got out of her car and ran toward the officer "in a threatening manner," the report stated.

The officer ordered several times for her to stop and get on the ground, police reported.

Fitzhugh refused and the officer used a Taser to stop her, police said.

A Taser is a weapon that fires a 50,000 volt electronic "non-lethal" defensive force from several feet away and drops attackers with 100 percent effectiveness, states the Web site Tazers.com.

Fitzhugh continued to resist officers when she tried to slip out of the handcuffs by bringing her hands from behind her back and under her legs in order to bring her hands to the front, police reported.

She admitted to officers that she had been smoking marijuana and during a search of the vehicle, officers found a "large bag of marijuana," the report

stated.

She was transported to the Louisville Metro Correctional Unit and released the same day on a \$1,000 cash bond, according to a Metro Corrections official.

Lexington sophomore Chelsea Lamb has known Fitzhugh for two years and is her roommate.

She said that Fitzhugh is one of the most outgoing, friendly and creative people she has ever known, adding that "this pretty well sums her up."

"If you ever met her, she would put a smile on your face," Lamb said.

Fitzhugh's mother, Debra, said Allison had been dealing with depression, the death of her grandmother in March and the stress of work and school.

Debra Fitzhugh said Allison is hospitalized and undergoing treatment.

"Allison just snapped," she said. "She's not like that."

Debra Fitzhugh said that her daughter is a loving person who would do anything for her friends.

Fitzhugh also does volunteer work in her church, her mother said.



Allison Fitzhugh

Reach Larry Rowell
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► NEWS BRIEF

SGA to vote on digital transcript on Tuesday

The Student Government Association will vote Tuesday on legislation that could pledge SGA support for the implementation of Student Engagement Activity Transcript at its final

senate meeting on April 22.

The Student Engagement Activity Transcript program allows Western to include information about the campus events and clubs that a student participated in during their time at Western in a digital format.

The legislation states "the Quality Enhancement Plan must

be utilized in order to gain reaffirmation of accreditation in the Southern Association of Colleges."

Tuesday's vote doesn't decide the fate of the program but could show the representative student support for the program.

—Neil Siders

LOAN

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Burnette could not be reached for comment.

The Student Loan People, a company that grants loans with benefits to people in the teaching, nursing and public service law professions, has seen a decrease in net revenue because of the cuts Congress made and difficult financial conditions, according to an e-mail sent to students by Western's Student Financial Assistance department.

Because of this, the company won't be able to provide benefits to Kentucky borrowers, the e-mail stated.

This comes in the middle of what some have called a "budget crisis" in Kentucky, and right before Western decides how much to increase tuition.

President Gary Ransdell has said that a tuition increase of up to 8 or 9 percent, which is bigger than usual, may be necessary because of budget cuts.

But he said Western wouldn't use a tuition increase

to completely offset them.

Ransdell is holding forums today to discuss with employees and students how budget cuts affect students and how tuition money will be spent.

Audience members will be able to ask questions during the forums.

Louisville sophomore Brandyn Bailey said, like Edwards, he's concerned about paying for college, especially considering the Kentucky's budget situation.

He said high school doesn't prepare students for how hard it is to find money to pay for college.

In a New York Times/CBS News poll, about 70 percent of parents said they were "very concerned" about how they would pay for college, according to a New York Times report.

There may be reason for worry if trends in the lending market continue, Bruns said.

Bruns said that while it wouldn't be a problem for students to take out a federal student loan now, it could be a bigger problem in the future.

Right now, the loan market has enough lenders to handle the amount of requested loans,

he said.

But in the coming fall that could change.

With the loss of support, loans are becoming a financial burden to lenders, he said.

About 500 students dropped for non-payment in the fall 2007 semester, Chief Financial Officer Ann Mead said.

But this number also includes students who drop out without withdrawing and students who aren't doing well academically and withdraw when they receive the final payment request.

"I think the more significant unknown is the number of prospective students that don't apply because of concerns about costs," she said. "This is a population we can't estimate."

Dean Kahler, associate vice president of academic affairs, said he does his best to help students and families find ways to pay for college.

The budget situation has drawn attention to higher education and made tuition one of families' top concerns, he said.

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BOTTOMS to a decrease in federal loans, making it harder to go to college.

TOPS to only three more weeks until summer vacation.

BOTTOMS to our friends who are graduating. We'll miss them a lot.

TOPS to sunshine.

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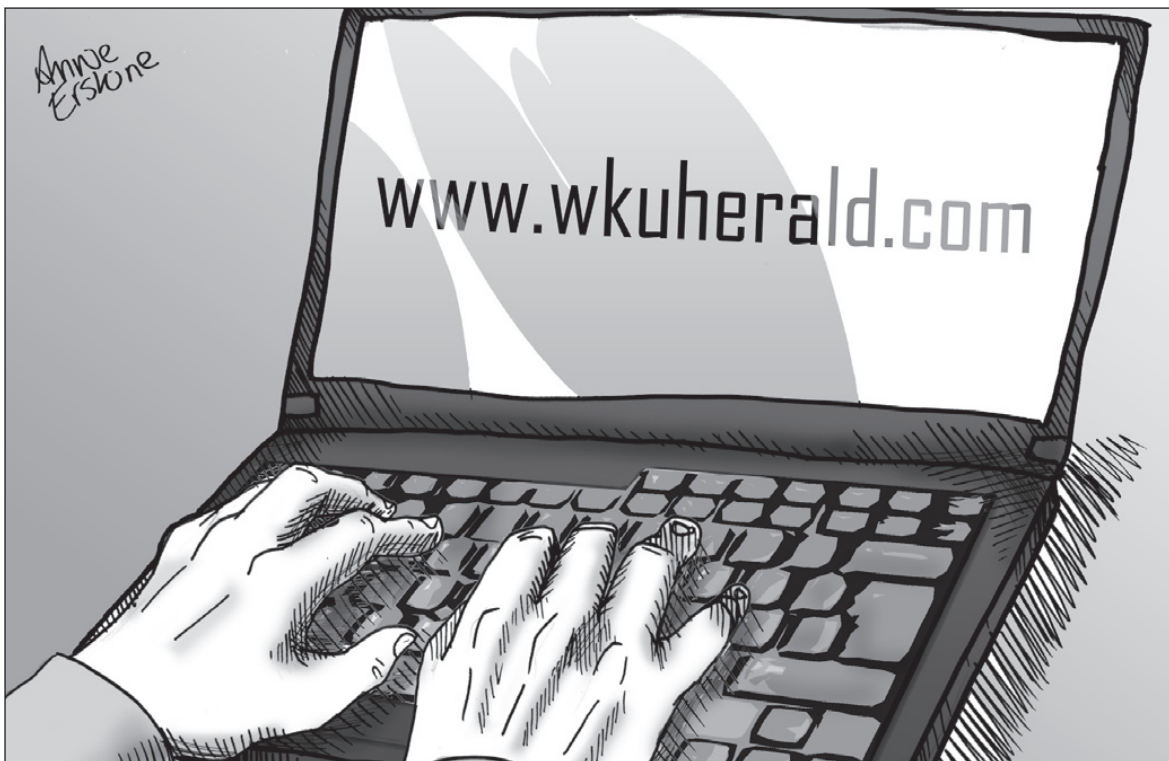
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This editorial represents the majority opinion of the Herald's 10-member editorial board.

COMMENTARY

Racism one of most idiotic notions



EVAN SISLEY
Opinion editor

Fairly recently I was reminded of how real modern racism is in our neck of the woods. I found out that the second largest branch of the Ku Klux Klan is located in Dawson Springs, no more than an hour and a half from Western.

I am amazed at how people are still capable of considering racism a logical idea. The hatred of a specific ethnicity on whole is one of the most idiotic notions man has ever come across, but it is an age old one.

White supremacists are able to acknowledge the differences of individuals in their own race. They realize that there are people who share similar beliefs and those who oppose their ideas. But amazingly they are incapable of discerning any differences between people of a different ethnic background.

As a child I was lucky to be raised in a fairly ethnically diverse area, the Washington D.C. metropolitan area. The friends I made were not based on race but by how their mom packed their lunches. The innocence of childhood illustrates one of my favorite anti-racist statements, "no child is born a racist."

Luckily white supremacists are so destructive that their organizations become self-destructive. Most white power groups do not stay active for very long. In a very Darwinian way their internal fighting and power struggles keeps these organizations from ever obtaining substantial impact on Americans. Many of these organizations fear legal action and no longer blatantly teach violence.

The fight against racism in America is not even close to being over. Too many people still find comfort in their ignorance. And unfortunately, as long as there are old hate filled men, a new generation of you haters will follow.

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COMMENTARY

Engage in change and never give up

Africa is the concentration of many passionate and engaged people who have the will for change. In relation to causes on the other side of the globe [starvation, genocide in Darfur, Invisible Children] it is definitely good to take an interest in those things. In fact, it is extremely important to have a global mindset, a viewpoint that desires to help and change the world for the better. To have passion, the burning fire in your mind and heart, the boiling blood, to inspire and engage change, is wonderful. But passion should not be expended prematurely or used on an area you are not ready for. That energy must be found, trained, honed, and then used in the best ways possible. To flourish your potential into something more, into something actual, you need to go to several different, closer to home, aspects of your life for you as a world citizen to be effective.

First, it is necessary to engage change – will and passion for it – in oneself. Gaining self-knowledge, gaining the ability to teach yourself and love yourself, is the most important thing you can engage in before you can branch out beyond the realm of the self. In a dream once, long ago, a girl told me "You must first love yourself before you can love others." And surely that is true. You must self-actualize. You must become self-aware. You must facilitate change within for it to expand out to the world. Love swirls around your body, like a bright colorful sphere surrounded by whipping winds of will, and those winds of change permeate your being and, once strong enough, will saturate your world.

After this accomplishment – and believe me, it is a very big step – it is pertinent to focus this engaged attitude toward the community around you, rather than somewhere far removed; if you cannot help the people around you, how can you hope to help people thousands of miles away? You must first try your hand at helping your immediate surroundings – local government, your friends, your immediate community – before you will ever know if you can engage the world at such a loving level. Not to mention, in a practical sense, it provides you with real-world experience that is indispensable.

After all this, you will be stronger. By going through this process, what you originally thought was expendable – your passion, your will – will prove to be limitless. You can use it anywhere, by yourself or with others. You can use it to cut through this steel bar and to dice tomatoes. You will be alive in the most real sense of the word.

The revolution starts in the mind. The self-aware person should serve as an example to those on the edge of awareness – they should go back to the herd and try and teach the message, get the message out, and spread awareness. By doing so, and this might seem hard – but trust me, it isn't – but by doing so, they can facilitate a community of self-aware individuals and together, they can accomplish change more than they possible could have alone. The community is not restrictive to the individual, for the individual is still a solitary entity with a mind of the self, able to leave the group at any point; rather, the community serves as a place to spread ideas and awareness and growth.

My main goal in all this writing is to plant the seeds of the will to live in people. I want people everywhere to get out of the subservient, subjugated state into which we allow ourselves to fall. Like a wafting feather caught in the breeze, we let the world take us where it wants. Having a willingness to let life carry you is as important as the willingness to fight the jet-stream and the currents of air, but most important is questioning and thinking for you and deciding if that is best for you. We are able to ride the currents of time, but we are not feathers, we are not ornate, hollow in the bones, or fluff. We are not restricted to the will of the world. We have our own minds and our own wills.

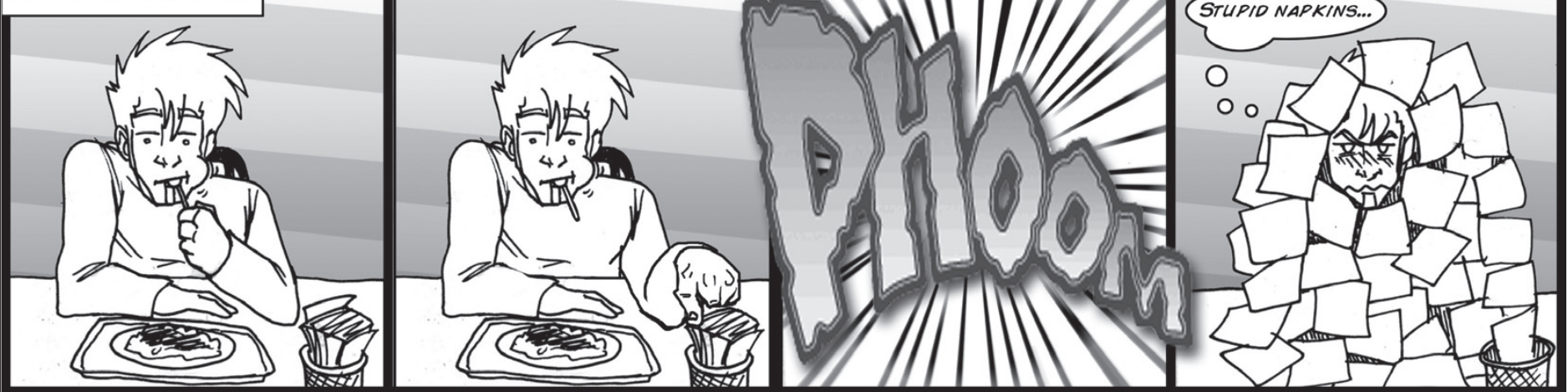
You must live! You must be engaged! Even in your most tired, weakest point, you are still better for pushing yourself, for being engaged. As it is said in the annals of our time and culture, "Never give up." Though it ends on a preposition, that error by no means drops any meaning or impact from the statement, it by no means makes the idea an error. Simple, yet disregarded as common knowledge, the statement urges people to stand tall and shake the heavens – you must choose the direction you wish to have in life and will your life into existence. No one else can do it. Do not stay in a state of subjugation. Only you can make your life. Dreams are the substance of wishes and will is the tool to make it reality.

Michel Stephens
Bowling Green sophomore

Annie's OUTLOOK

A cartoon strip by Annie Erskine

GARRETT HALL CAFETERIA



PRE-VET

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Legislators approved the additional seats, and the program escaped a veto by Gov. Steve Beshear. Partners in the program now look forward to possibly adding even more slots.

The program currently provides Kentucky students access to 34 reserved spaces for incoming students in veterinary programs at the University of Alabama and Auburn, and two spaces at Tuskegee University.

The Southern Regional Education Board, a nonprofit organization that works with education leaders in 16 states, developed the program because Kentucky doesn't have a college of veterinary medicine.

Students in the program pay in-state tuition for Auburn and Tuskegee for as long as four years. Kentucky covers the additional contract fees, which comes to \$22,400 per student this year. The rate increases to \$23,300 during the 2009-10 academic year.

The discounted rates make it easier for Kentucky residents to float the out-of-state tuition that they must pay because Kentucky lacks a veterinary school. Starting a school would cost too much, lawmakers say.

Kentucky gets one of the best deals in the country because students can go to veterinary school for a minimal cost to the state, Britt said. That saves taxpayers from having to float \$100 million or more for a veterinary school within the state.

Auburn offered in March to reserve six more contract slots for Kentucky. Tuskegee followed by offering four more. The added spots affect students applying for next year.

Kentucky representatives for several years pursued getting 10 at-large seats added at Auburn, said Gordon Jones, professor of agriculture and chairman of the Pre-veterinary Advisory Committee for Council on Postsecondary Education.

Together, the additional spaces require a \$223,000 increase in contract fees for 2009-10.

Some officials said the state can't swing that at a time when services everywhere face cuts.

Almost all areas of the budget faced cuts to deal with the state's projected budget shortfall, said John Hicks, deputy state budget director. Higher education budgets across the board face 3 percent cuts with another 3 percent reduction approved by lawmakers.

In his budget proposal to legislators, Beshear suggested cutting the contract spaces program's two-year budget by more than \$1.2 million in the next budget cycle. The program also affects optometry students.

The governor said in his budget address that the state can protect only a few areas, including need-based student financial aid and money for the state Department of Corrections.

The Governor's Office recognizes the vet program's value, and officials want to add students, Hicks said. But the cash-strapped state poses potential problems for the program.

But some people say the program needs the money.

CPE, which partners with the Southern Regional Education Board to enact the program, hosted a conference to persuade legislators to expand the program.

It would benefit students and the state's agricultural economy, said Jim Applegate, vice president of academic affairs for CPE.

CPE can't lobby legislators, but representatives support paying the contract expenses, Applegate said.

"It's a good example of how to meet the needs of Kentucky in the most efficient and collaborative way possible," he said.

The organization included the increase in its budget request. The program's cost to the state increases every year because of tuition increases.

Now that the state has secured the new 10 spaces, program administrators have started talking with Auburn representatives about possibly adding more spaces, Applegate said.

"They're very pleased with our students, and they're very pleased with the program," he said. "So, it's a very good partnership."

Robert Stout, state veterinarian for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture, said some expressed concern that if newly offered slots disappeared, they might never come back. And he said Kentucky

might never get back existing slots if the number offered got cut along with budgets.

Before he became the state veterinarian, veterinary schools rejected Stout twice.

Stout found himself caught between disappointment and anger when he got rejection letters from Auburn twice in a row. After a third try and a little improvement in organic chemistry, Auburn and Ohio State University accepted him, he said.

Stout attended Ohio State from 1969 until 1973. The program only offered 16 slots at Auburn and four through contract spaces program when he applied.

So, the food-animal and equine vet of 30 years understands the challenges and competition students face when trying to squeeze their way into graduate school.

Smithfield freshman Wes Korthaus wrote to legislators about his life's connection to animals through his family's shorthorn-cattle business since the late 1800s.

He wanted to remind legislators about the importance of veterinary medicine to food safety.

"Our food supply is basically dependent on the veterinary medicine that takes care of them," he said.

Korthaus started pursuing a career in veterinary medicine while in high school.

But he hasn't heard any warnings about "envelope thickness," yet.

Owensboro senior Amanda Gray heard the "big envelope" adage, but she kept an eye on her mailbox for a different letter after applying to Auburn in October.

She applied to Auburn because she would get a deal as part of the contract spaces program.

Gray expected the letter scheduling her spring break interview with Auburn representatives because just about everyone she knows who qualifies academically got a letter.

But she checked her Southwest Hall mailbox every day.

Most students she knows wanted letters mailed to their home address, but Gray wanted to read the response before her parents did. She didn't want to hear her mom say over the phone that she got rejected.

Pre-vet students must work



ALTON STRUPP/HERALD

Andy Pike has managed Western's dairy farm since March 2005. Pike received a bachelor's in agriculture from Western and is currently pursuing a master's degree in dairy science. "I plan on heading to Auburn in the fall to work on becoming a large animal practitioner," Pike said.

hard to be competitive for graduate school spots.

Gray averages 18 hours every semester, which is why she can apply for graduate school after only three years at Western.

Veterinary schools expect applicants to show academic excellence while taking daunting course loads. That proves that they can handle graduate school.

For practical experience, Gray started working in animal clinics at age 15, cleaning kennels and observing surgeries.

On Western's farm, she vaccinates swine and de-worms cattle.

She wrote to legislators to describe the hard work of her and her classmates.

"Some of us don't have the chance to live our goals because there aren't enough spots, and we can't afford to go out of state," she said. "We're just so deserving. We work so hard."

Gray attests to a lot of good feedback, and many legislators wrote back saying they'd support the increased spaces. Even those who didn't offer support said they appreciated student input.

The more people who write, the more likely legislators pay attention to and investigate an issue, said state Sen. Brett Guthrie, R-Bowling Green.

"It doesn't always sway

everybody, but it brings issues to people's attention," he said. "I appreciate that."

Guthrie said letters regarding the contract spaces issue were steady, and the interest helped perpetuate consideration of the issue.

"I think the thing we're looking at here is the possibility of a long-term gain in veterinary education, and we shouldn't let one year's budget stop long-term gain because we might not be offered this but one time," he said.

Some agriculture professionals hope expanding contract spaces encourages more food-animal veterinarians to work in Kentucky, combating a nationwide decline in the number of people going into the profession.

People who raise livestock without a vet within their counties either bring in vets from surrounding counties or do without veterinary care, Britt said.

Not having a nearby vet can contribute to farmers neglecting preventative medicine, he said.

Britt once investigated a herd in eastern Kentucky that lost about 70 animals because they hadn't been vaccinated. The farm took about a \$100,000 loss and went out of business.

A demographic change in veterinary students in recent years resulted in fewer people

becoming feed animal veterinarians, Stout said.

More students than ever are interested in 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. jobs and getting weekends off, he said. There's also a tendency toward working for existing practices, rather than opening new clinics.

Also, many veterinarians who currently hold regulatory and public health positions will be retiring before long, and those positions will need to be filled, Stout said.

Officials hope increasing the number of spots will help alleviate the need.

So, with budget and contract issues up in the air, Gray and other Western upperclassmen headed to Alabama during spring break to interview for slightly more positions.

Gray hopes to know her fate during this round of selections.

If she got a "thin" letter, she'd probably stay at Western and work on a second degree while applying again and again until she was convinced she couldn't get in, she said.

She said most of her classmates have just as much dedication.

"We all want this with every fiber of our being."

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CAMPUS LIFE

Students to protest gun-free campuses next week

HOLLY BROWN
Herald reporter

Empty gun holsters symbolize students being made defenseless by gun-free campus policies, according to a group which is now nearly 27,000 strong nationwide.

The school shootings of the last year have had a student reaction that some say is shocking and illogical.

In reaction to the Virginia Tech shooting, which was one year ago yesterday, students nationwide came together in a movement to allow licensed gun carriers to wear their guns on campus.

The shooting at Northern Illinois University more than doubled the cause.

Kristin Guttormsen, a regional director for the right-to-carry group Students for Concealed Carry on Campus, said the group was up to about 11,000 members in February.

Since the NIU shootings, the group has risen to 26,732.

And 3,353 of those members have already confirmed on the group's Facebook site that they will be wearing empty holsters on their respective campuses during the protest which will last all of next week.

"The protest last year was really small nationwide," said Guttormsen, a Washington University senior. "With 26,000

members, we're looking at a much larger turnout this year."

Nathan Hayes, director for the Western chapter, said he thinks he was the only one who participated in the protest last semester.

He said that's partly because the group was so new and hadn't had enough attention yet.

Hayes said he also believes the group was small because people were afraid of retribution.

"I know a lot of faculty and staff don't want to stand up for what they believe in," he said. "People are afraid they'll get fired ... People have to be afraid for their jobs just to stand up for what they believe in."

Karl Laves, assistant director in the counseling center, said he participated in an online debate with Hayes on the issue after last year's protest.

He said there are many views and approaches that have to be considered in this issue, including First and Second Amendment Rights.

"The Ku Klux Klan has a right to express their point of

view," Laves said. "I don't want to be around when they do it."

Laves said he respects people who observe the law and go through training to get the concealed carry license.

He said he also understands the argument that in gun-free zones, people who have guns are the ones who intend to break the law and possibly shoot innocent people.

If everyone is allowed to carry guns to deal with possible shooters, it opens the door for a "wild west" reality, Laves said.

"There have been times in the past when people were allowed to have guns on them and gun fights would open up," Laves said. "Two people would square off on the streets and shoot each other."

Skylar Jordan, chief of staff of the Student Government Association, said that as a student, he is against concealed carry on campus.

"I think the majority of students don't want concealed weapons on campus," he said.

"There have been times in the past when people were allowed to have guns on them and gun fights would open up. Two people would square off on the streets and shoot each other."

— Karl Laves
Assistant Director, Counseling and Testing Center

OBAMA

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"There are some people that said Bowling Green is not going to be very excited about Barack Obama," Bhatt said, and the crowd voiced that it disagreed.

Bhatt led the crowd in sending the message "Yes we can!" to those nay-sayers.

Western junior Emily Cooper spoke about Americans, young and old, being inspired by Obama's promise of change.

"What drew me more than anything else to this campaign was my heart," Cooper said.

Former State Senator Nick Kafoglis said he supports Obama because of his policies on issues like health care, economic revival and the war in Iraq.

"It's important to remember that there is only one presidential candidate who opposed the war before the war began," Kafoglis said.

The speakers and organizers of the rally emphasized the importance of Obama supporters getting involved and volunteering.

Former Mayor Patsy Sloan commended young Americans for their willingness to work on the campaign at the ground level. She encouraged the people at the rally to follow suit.

"Let's take our hope and our faith and our dreams and roll up our sleeves," she said.

Fort Mitchell senior Rob Anderson said that support for Sen. Hillary Clinton in Bowling Green has Obama supporters working hard.

"The youth vote's going to be crucial to offset any support she'll get from the working

class," Anderson said.

He has been canvassing on campus this week.

Kentucky's cutoff for voter registration for the May 20 primary is April 21. At the rally, tables were set up with voter registration forms, Obama literature and stickers and volunteer sign up sheets.

Tuesday, volunteers started making phone calls and going door-to-door. They helped more than 50 people register to vote on the office's first day open.

After the rally, the crowd lined up outside of the door of the new campaign office. Supporters were given free stickers and pins and encouraged to sign up for volunteer positions.

"Now it's time to turn 'yes we can' to 'yes I will,' Bhatt said.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT

SGA chooses longest serving senator as speaker

NEIL SIDERS
Herald reporter

The Student Government Association elected Nathan Eaton as next semester’s speaker of the Student Senate at a Student Senate meeting on Tuesday.

Senators Brittany-Ann Wick and Matt Vaughan opposed Eaton.

Eaton will be filling the seat vacated by Kayla Shelton, who was elected executive vice president in this spring’s elections.

Senator Wes Calhoun said that all of the candidates were well qualified and could have performed the duties, but Eaton’s four years of experience made him the more appealing choice.

Senator Ben Lineweaver agreed.

“He is the longest serving senator in this organization,” Lineweaver said. “In my opinion, I think he is the most qualified for the job.”

“I am very happy about being elected the new speaker,” Eaton

said. “I feel I can be a very good voice for the Student Senate.”

Eaton addressed his biggest concern as speaker-elect.

“My biggest problem as a new senator was not knowing procedure, and I want to ensure that the new senators don’t have to deal with that,” Eaton said.

Informing new senators about parliamentary procedure will ensure that senate meetings run smoothly and will increase the effectiveness of SGA, he said.

Eaton also addressed the issues of SGA’s visibility to the student body.

Eaton said SGA had to continue to create big events and publicize SGA’s role in them.

“The SGA already does a lot on campus,” Eaton said.

Eaton said students were exposed to SGA events without realizing SGA was the host.

Shelton said she found the hardest part of being speaker was staying tough on the senate to ensure that it was effective.

Eaton said he foresees problems keeping the senate on task

despite his fun-loving personality.

“I know there is a time and place for being tough,” Eaton said.

Senator Kevin Smiley asked the candidates whether there was an appropriate time to withhold information from the senate.

Eaton and all of the candidates agreed that the speaker should not withhold information from the senate.

The way the current administration handled the walk-out demonstrated that open and honest communication between the senate and executive branch is essential, Eaton said.

Eaton said that he and other senators were not informed about the walk-out until the fall retreat, which led to confusion among the senators.

Eaton will assist Shelton in the final senate meeting April 22, and official duties will begin April 29 after being sworn in at the SGA banquet.

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FACILITIES

Construction projects put on contingency plan

MARIANNE HALE
Herald reporter

Lunch leftovers are convenient, but not so with leftovers from a state budget.

The wait for revenue leftovers to fund Western construction projects will last until 2010 and delay construction progress.

The passed state budget restored four of Western’s vetoed projects, but put the other three on a contingency plan.

That means they could receive funding if there is more revenue than the state budget assumes, stated Robbin Taylor, assistant to the president for governmental relations.

If Western cannot find additional revenue and the extra money isn’t available for contingency projects, the university must wait until the 2010-2012 biennium to fight for more funding.

Legislators have yet to consider new revenues, she stated.

Western has authorization to fund the construction projects on the contingency plan with other revenues if it’s available, said Doug Ault, director of planning, design and construction.

Taylor stated Western hasn’t

had time to start looking for other money for the projects yet.

Western received authorization for about \$38 million in agency bond funding for the four restored projects.

Western will issue agency bonds with the authority granted by the General Assembly and pay the debt with revenue generated by the university.

Funds for the contingency plan items wouldn’t be available until 2010, because that’s when the legislature will identify new revenue.

Eastern Kentucky University and the Kentucky Community and Technical College System also have projects on the contingency plan.

Higher education institutions’ construction projects stand in line behind two other items on the contingency plan, said Terri Giltner, assistant director of marketing and com-

munications for KCTCS.

Pay raises for state workers and teachers take first priority on the contingency plan, and an additional one percent pay raise for the employees ranks second, she said.

College construction projects rank third and last.

But the projects could still receive funding before pay raises do.

Enough revenue must be available to pay for each item entirely, Giltner said.

If enough money isn’t available to finance pay raises for state employees, construction projects could receive the excess funding first, she said.

Legislators haven’t ranked which construction projects would receive funding because they would be funded completely, Giltner said.

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Projects on the contingency plan

The projects on the contingency plan include:

- Science and Technology Hall renovations
- Gordon Ford College of Business planning and design
- Institute for Combustion Science & Environmental Technology (ICSET) / Materials Characterization Center (MCC) construction

STATE GOVERNMENT

Bill simplifies diploma process for academy

MICHELLE DAY
Herald reporter

A bill that makes it easier for Western to grant the Academy of Math and Science students diplomas passed in the General Assembly Tuesday.

The bill means that Western doesn’t have to contract with individual high schools to give diplomas to students.

The bill also establishes the academy under state law, said Corey Alderdice, the academy’s assistant director for admissions and public relations.

It was one of Western’s legislative priorities this session.

State provisions of the academy were made part of Senate Bill 2 during session, and as

of Monday, with one day left in the session, the bill hadn’t passed yet, Taylor said.

Taylor stated in an e-mail that she can’t speculate on why it took so long for the bill to pass.

“It’s just the legislative process at work,” she said.

SB 2 creates incentives to increase the number of students taking advanced math and science courses, according to Capitol Notes, the legislative research commission’s Web log of General Assembly activities.

Adding the bill to SB 2 was appropriate because the senate bill relates to making academics better in Kentucky, Alderdice previously told the Herald.

Yesterday was the last day

of the 2008 General Assembly, and lawmakers worked past the midnight deadline to pass remaining legislation.

If the bill hadn’t passed, the academy would still have been able to issue diplomas, but the bill simplifies the process.

The academy was also given recurring revenue in Western’s part of the higher education budget.

Because the academy is part of the state budget, it will have to make a 3 percent cut like other postsecondary education institutions after the General Assembly approved the cut this week.

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ENTRANCE

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“We wanted to spice it up a little bit more and make it more motivating to us,” Cline said.

It’s tough to tell where the tradition of grand entrances into the stadium started for teams.

For years it’s been a tradition for teams to run through the band or to touch something on their way out. For example Michigan runs under a banner that says “Go Blue.”

But, allowing fans to watch the team come out of the locker room can most likely be linked back to Nebraska in 1994. They allowed fans at Memorial Stadium to watch the team come out of the tunnel on the HuskerVision screens while Alan Parsons Project’s “Sirius” blared through the stadium speakers.

“Guys have been different places and experienced different things,” Elson said. “And you’ve heard of some places that have those special things and traditions. And we’ve got

the opportunity with the new stadium, Division-I football and the new student section to create some great traditions.”

Western’s list of potential songs doesn’t include “Sirius,” or the theme from “2001: A Space Odyssey.”

In fact, the three songs aren’t even on Elson’s iPod.

The three options include, “Hurt” by T.I., “Sky’s the limit” by Lil’ Wayne and lastly “Dey Know” by Shawty Low.

“And we’ve got the opportunity with the new stadium, Division-I football and the new student section to create some great traditions.”

— David Elson
Coach

No word on whether or not they’ll use the best of both worlds and use the “Dey Know” remix featuring Lil’ Wayne, should that song be selected by the students.

“I think what we’d like to see is we get one song down for every time so that the fans know when we’re coming out, and there’s some build up,” Cline said.

As for a song that Cline favors, he’s up for anything.

“Any song that will get the team riled up and get the crowd riled up, I’m all for.”

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GOLF

Long eclipses program win mark

COREY OGBURN
Herald reporter

The cold, wind and rain couldn’t get in the way of senior Brent Long’s pursuit of victory.

The Carthage, Tenn. native battled not only the rest of the field but also weather to take first place in the UK Bluegrass Invitational this weekend.

“The weather was brutal,” coach Brian Tirpak said. “It was rainy and cold, and Brent out-willed everybody.”

Long shot 71, 75 and 73 in his three rounds for an individual total of 219 for the tournament.

His score tied him with Kentucky sophomore Brian Belden to send the match into a sudden-death playoff, where Long birdied the first hole to win.

Western finished 10th as a team with a total score of 924. Central Florida captured the team title with the low score of 899.

Long’s fourth victory of the

season set a school record for wins in a season and a career.

“It feels great,” Long said. “There’s been so many great players that played for Western, and to be mentioned with them is an honor.”

The previous records of three wins in a year and in a career were held by Ryan Tucker during the 1996-97 season.

Long entered the spring tied for both records. In the fall, he won the UTSA Roadrunner Intercollegiate in San Antonio, the Mission Inn Collegiate in Orlando, Fla. and the Xavier Invitational in Loveland, Ohio.

“Brent has proven to have the best college career here at Western,” Tirpak said. “Brent has broken most of the school records and has a complete game.”

The senior is at the top of many national rankings according to GolfStat.com. Long ranks second in par four scoring at 3.96, third in subpar strokes per round at 4.75 and first in putts per hole at 1.716.

Long plans to graduate this May and, according to Tirpak, has a bright career in golf ahead of him.

“I know he is going to be successful on the PGA Tour,” Tirpak said.

Not only is Long a great golfer, but according to junior Matt Sherertz, he is a great guy to know.

“Out of all the guys I’ve played with at his level, he is by far the most down to earth,” Sherertz said. “He talks to anyone like they’re his best friends, and I’ve been glad to know him.”

Long and the Toppers will look for their second conference title in three seasons at the Sun Belt Conference Tournament in Florence, Ala. from April 21-23.

Freshman Alex Yost, senior Justin Perry, sophomore Adam McDonald, freshman Neil Horsley, and Long will represent Western.

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TRACK & FIELD

Athletes’ skills shine in multiple events

CHRIS ACREE
Herald reporter

During a track meet, senior Jessica Delaunay does a lot of running, but most of it doesn’t happen on the track.

“I’m running around for three hours straight from event to event,” Delaunay said. “It’s very exhausting, not only physically but also mentally.”

During the outdoor season, Delaunay participates in the pentathlon as well as several other individual events, often occurring at the same time.

In the outdoor season, women’s multi-event athletes compete in a heptathlon consisting of a 200-meter dash, 800-meter run, long jump, high jump, shot put, javelin and the 100-meter hurdles.

She is one of several athletes on Western’s track and field team who compete in more than one event in a different event group.

Joining Delaunay as a heptathlete/pentathlete are junior Heather Hammond and freshman Kristen Lefler.

On the men’s side, freshman

Josh Smith and junior Steve Wilson compete in different event groups as well.

“They are competitive no matter what,” senior Valerie Brown said.

Wilson competes in sprinting events as well as jumping events, a routine similar to what coach Erik Jenkins did during his days as a Western track athlete.

“When I was looking at colleges, a lot of schools told me I couldn’t run the 400-meters and (perform in the) long jump,” Jenkins said. “So that was a big reason why I came to Western because (former head) coach (Curtiss) Long told me I could.”

Jenkins said that a big reason why the team has athletes that participate in multiple events is the limited number of scholarships available compared to the number of events in a track meet.

“You have 21 events, and on the women’s side you have a maximum of 18 scholarships given by the NCAA and 12 on the men’s side,” Jenkins said. “So

you have to be able to go out and find individuals who can score in multiple events to be able to win conference championships.”

Jenkins is also looking to the future in regard to multi-event athletes.

On Feb. 18, the team announced that they had signed incoming freshman Jantelle McNeil, who competed in three national meets in the heptathlon as a high school athlete.

Delaunay said that winning the upcoming Sun Belt Conference championships is her ultimate goal as well as the goal of her fellow multi-event athletes.

“I always try to put our team in the best position to win conference and carry over to regionals,” Delaunay said. “If that means having to compete at 10 events at conference in order for us to win, then that’s what I will do.”

The team will use these multi-event athletes when they travel down to Nashville to compete in the Vanderbilt Invitational this weekend.

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De la Osa would eventually score off of a throwing error that was credited to Paxson to put the Commodores ahead 4-1.

Vanderbilt would score another run before the top of the eighth inning was over making the score 5-1.

Junior pitcher Matt Hightower got the loss pitching

six innings and giving up two runs on five hits while striking out five batters.

After giving up a run in each of the first two innings, Hightower did not allow another run during his final four.

“It took me a second to finally get a rhythm,” Hightower said. “I was still a little stiff going into the first two (innings) and I wasn’t trying to pitch to avoid contact, but they are very good hitters. The one thing I started doing was letting them get themselves out.”

After making some adjustments Hightower, Paxson and pitching coach Matt Myers agreed to let Hightower start throwing more strikes and force the Vanderbilt players to swing and get themselves out, Hightower said.

Western’s next game will be at 6 p.m. tomorrow at Nick Denes Field against Sun Belt Conference opponent Arkansas State.

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TENNIS

Seeds are just numbers to Toppers in Sun Belt

SARAH HYMAN
Herald reporter

Despite receiving low seeds for this weekend’s Sun Belt Conference tournament in Monroe, La., the Toppers and Lady Toppers have high expectations for their performances.

“It’s 100 percent all about a win at this stage of the game,” coach Jeff True said. “Because if you don’t get a win, you go home.”

The Toppers (13-4) received the No. 8 seed, the lowest in the tournament, and will face No. 1 Denver (16-5) in their first round match on Friday.

The Pioneers are ranked No. 45 nationally according to college^tennisonline.com, and all of their losses have been to ranked opponents.

“You always like to compare your opponents, and I think Denver compares really well with Louisville,” True said.

The Toppers played the No. 38-ranked Cardinals on Feb. 1, losing 7-0.

“We played well against Louisville, but they handled us pretty good,” senior Chad True said. “We came away from it feeling like we could compete at that level, and we think we’re still able to do that.”

Sophomore Tommy Krug will likely face Denver senior Adam Holmstrom at No. 1 singles. Holmstrom has compiled a 18-0 singles record this season and is ranked No. 18 individually on college^tennisonline.com.

“That’s going to be a tough matchup,” coach True said. “But I think Tommy can give him a

good match. It should be pretty competitive.”

The Toppers won’t be the only team facing a tough opponent on Friday. The No. 12 seed Lady Toppers (10-7) will face No. 5 seed Troy in their first round match.

The Trojans (9-9) enter the postseason unranked for the first time in five years, but True said the seeding doesn’t accurately reflect the team’s talent.

“They’re at least as good as a three seed, and probably a two,” True said. “That match isn’t going to be any easier for the girls than Denver will be for the guys.”

Junior Erin Fulkerson said that though the Lady Toppers have a better record than the Trojans, the tournament’s seeding is driven more by national rankings and opponents rather than record.

“There’s a lot of teams that are seeded pretty high but they don’t have a very good record,” she said. “But when you look at the teams those teams have played, a lot of them are ranked. That’s really what matters, when it comes down to it.”

Troy has played five ranked opponents this season, losing all of those matches.

The Lady Toppers haven’t faced any ranked opponents this season.

“Our seeding isn’t really a reflection of how we’ve played,” True said. “It’s really more a reflection of who we’ve played.”

The Lady Toppers will face Troy at 11:30 a.m. and the Toppers will play Denver at 3 p.m. tomorrow.

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Match-ups

- Women
- **No. 5-seed Troy vs. No. 12-seed Lady Toppers 11:30 a.m.**
 - No. 6-seed North Texas vs. No. 11-seed Florida Atlantic 8 a.m.
 - No. 7-seed Arkansas State vs. No. 10-seed Louisiana-Monroe 8 a.m.
 - No. 8-seed Middle Tennessee State vs. No. 9-seed UALR 8 a.m.
- Semifinal matches will take place at 5 p.m. on Saturday, and the finals will be played at 2 p.m. on Sunday.
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- Men
- **No. 1-seed Denver vs. No. 8-seed Toppers 3 p.m.**
 - No. 2-seed South Alabama vs. No. 7-seed Troy 11:30 a.m.
 - No. 3-seed Middle Tennessee State vs. No. 6-seed Louisiana Lafayette 11:30 a.m.
 - No. 4-seed Florida Atlantic vs. No. 5-seed UALR 3 p.m.
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(Above) **Sophomore Kelsey McCauley** receives congratulations from her teammates after hitting a home run over the right center field wall during the Lady Toppers’ first of two games against Tennessee State Tuesday. Western swept the doubleheader, bringing its record up to 16-25. (Left) **Freshman pitcher Lauren Caudill** winds up to deliver a pitch during the first game of the doubleheader.



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Junior third-baseman Rebecca Horesky started the onslaught with a two-run homer in the second inning, her seventh of the season.

“We focused on some of my mechanics yesterday in practice and today it just felt like I was back,” Horesky said.

Sophomore designated hitter Shannon Smith, Shelby Smith, and Horesky each recorded two RBIs, while junior second-baseman Terri Ellingsworth and

McCauley each batted in one.

The Lady Toppers’ attitude made all the difference Tuesday.

“We knew it the second we stepped out on the field,” Shelby Smith said. “You could see the fire in everyone’s eyes and that we were sick of losing.”

Coach Tyra Perry agreed that the team was tired of losing and said that the team came up with the defensive stops and the timely hits they needed to end the slump.

“We needed these wins,” Perry said. “We just came out ready to play and went out and made things happen.”

Western hopes to take some

momentum from the doubleheader into the remainder of conference play. The Lady Toppers play two of their final three conference series on the road.

“A lot of our problems had to do with our mentality, you know, ‘when it rains, it pours.’” Perry said. “Hopefully this can build some momentum for us because we need some conference wins.”

The Lady Toppers will try to use that momentum in a doubleheader at North Texas starting at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

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BASEBALL



LUKE SHARRETT/HERALD

Junior Matt Hightower fires a pitch toward home plate early in the Hilltoppers’ home game against Vanderbilt last night. Western trailed by one run for most of the game but was put away 5-1 after Vanderbilt scored three runs in the top of the eighth.

Critical errors

Miscues plague Tops in 5-1 loss to Vanderbilt

RYAN CAREY
Herald reporter

If you remember the final score the last time Western played Vanderbilt, don’t worry, you’re not experiencing “deja vu” as you read this.

The Toppers (20-16, 7-8 Sun Belt Conference) 5-1 loss to Vanderbilt (26-10, 8-6 Southeastern Conference) was the same outcome as the previous time the two teams met on April 8.

Three errors made by Western turned out to be the difference as the Commodores capitalized on the miscues late in the game.

“We just had a couple of crazy things happen there in the eighth inning,” coach Chris Finwood said.

“Sometimes that’s just baseball, it’s a funny game.”

The game was close going into the eighth inning with Vanderbilt on top 2-1, but then the errors caught up with Western.

It started with a dropped fly ball by freshman Matt Bracken in left field that turned a routine out into a double for Vanderbilt junior third baseman Pedro Alvarez.

Commodores’ junior shortstop Ryan Flaherty grounded out to third base, but Alvarez ran in to score.

Junior catcher J.B. Paxson thought that he had called time before Alvarez scored.

“I thought we were on the same page all night, I don’t know,” Paxson said. “I walked away and put my hands up and that was all

she wrote. He started running in and I went back.”

“It happens, I knew (junior pitcher Evan Teague) was in there facing two lefties and I was making the switch already. I was out there calling time for coach Finwood to make a move to get the right hander.”

A pitching change was made to bring in freshman pitcher Bryce Jenney for Teague.

Dominic de la Osa advanced to second for Vanderbilt on a balk by Jenney after being walked.

Jenney then walked the next batter followed by another balk, putting the runners on third and second base.

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SOFTBALL

Lady Toppers’ healthy offense cures losing slump sickness

COREY OGBURN
Herald reporter

Since arriving at Western, senior first-baseman Shelby Smith has developed a sort of history with the flag pole out behind left-center field.

The San Clemente, Calif., native pelted the pole on Tuesday for the third time in her career with a three-run homer that helped Western (16-25, 2-12 Sun Belt Conference) win its second game in a doubleheader over Tennessee State 5-2.

“It felt great to finally connect on a ball,” she said. “I’ve kind of been in a slump the last couple games, so it felt good.”

The wins snap a nine-game losing streak that started on March 29 with a 7-3 loss to Troy.

Junior pitcher Jennifer Kempf picked up the win after a complete game allowing only six hits and tallied five strikeouts against the Tigers (15-28).

“Everything was there today,” Kempf said. “We executed on offense and played good defense and everything came together.”

— Jennifer Kempf
Junior pitcher

Sophomore catcher Rachelle Boucher and sophomore short-stop Kelsey McCauley each recorded an RBI in the second win of the day.

The Lady Toppers won the first game of the day 8-1 behind a dominant performance by junior pitcher Ryan Rogge.

Rogge struck out nine Tigers in five innings, allowing only one hit and one run.

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FOOTBALL

Toppers want big-time entrance

ANDREW ROBINSON
Herald reporter

When Western players comes out of their new locker room right before games next season, the Toppers want their entrance to be a spectacle.

In recent years, the Toppers entered through a giant Western-logoed helmet, complete with fireworks and fog.

Now, coach David Elson wants to make it bigger and better.

And to make it bigger and better, he is leaving it up to the students and the fans.

“We want people to think, ‘boy, I’ve got to get in the stadium because I want to see our team come out,’ because what we’re going to be able to do this fall with the audio and the video and all the things we have,” Elson said. “We want it to be a big-time show that literally gives people goosebumps when the team enters the field before the game.”

Team entrances from the locker room have become as much of a part of game day as singing fight songs and tailgating.

Junior defensive linemen Dan Cline said the idea has been in the back of players’ minds for quite a while.

Songs on possible playlist

“Hurt”
by T.I.

“Sky’s the Limit”
by Lil’ Wayne

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FOOTBALL

Team preps for Red-White game

ANDREW ROBINSON
Herald reporter

Come Saturday, Western’s campus is going to get a good dosage of fall.

Saturday morning, the coaching staff will have a women’s clinic to give them the inside scoop to understand the game of football even better.

Then the fall routine kicks in with the Topper Walk and Tailgating, events that precede Western football games during the season.

Like what is taking place across the country at schools such as Ohio State and Florida, the Toppers are trying to build a monster around spring ball.

Junior defensive lineman Dan Cline said he remembers his first spring game.

“It’s gotten steadily better every year,” Cline said. “And more fans are coming out to it and I think switching it to a night game will help as well.”

Coach David Elson said he likes where the team is, saying that the Toppers are undefeated at 0-0 and that he’s fired up.

Sure, when it gets down to it, what will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday at Smith Stadium is nothing more than a glorified scrimmage. But for some reason, fans salivate for the opportunity to get a glance at what they will see in early September.

“I really like where our offense is and our quarterbacks,” Elson said. “Everybody

is understanding what we’re doing on offense. But like I said, we still have a lot of work to do on defense.”

Unfortunately for Western fans, Saturday may not provide as good of a look as most probably hoped for.

Injuries have plagued the Toppers all spring, most notably Cline, sophomore linebacker Blake Boyd and junior quarterback David Wolke have all missed significant time.

Cline suffered a broken bone in his foot and underwent surgery, Wolke has had some minimal time on the side, but suffered an injury in the weight room and Boyd is still recovering from a knee injury.

One place Western won’t be shorthanded is at the running back position. Sophomores Tyrell Hayden, Andrew McCloud and Marell Booker, as well as freshman Bobby Rainey, and junior Stephen Willis all got multiple carries in Western’s scrimmage last weekend.

And as if there weren’t already enough names thrown into the running back hat, you can throw sophomore quarterback Brandon Smith in the mix.

You know, just as another option. As if there weren’t already enough.

Smith finished as the leading rusher on Saturday, running for 124 yards on nine carries in the mini-scrimmage.

The race for the starting quarterback may officially



LUKE SHARRETT/HERALD

Junior wide receiver Jessie Quinn snags a pass during yesterday afternoon’s practice despite the best efforts of sophomore defensive back Marcus Minor. The Toppers are preparing for the final weekend of their spring season with the Red-White scrimmage at Smith Stadium at 7 p.m. Saturday.

start on Saturday too, mostly depending on whether or not Wolke will be able to play.

Nonetheless, Elson said he wants to get away from the two-quarterback system and keep an eye on the defense too. They’ve struggled all spring but began to show considerable signs of improvement at the last scrimmage.

Junior defensive back

Marcus Minor said he plans on being on the winning team.

“We’re gonna pick it up on the red-white game,” Minor said. “It’s about coming out and playing hard and playing fast and getting to the ball on defense and that’s what we plan to do.”

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Mary Proctor, mother of a child with autism PAGE 2B

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Elizabeth Winkler, Assistant English Professor PAGE 4B

“I think it’s wonderful. Of course, you look at a headstone and it tells a story about a person.”

Beverly Fleenor, Fairview Cemetery Administrator PAGE 6B



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Coroner spends a lifetime close to death

BOBBIE HAYSE
Herald reporter

If you asked Dwayne Lawrence in the third grade what he wanted to be, he would have looked you dead in the eye and said confidently, a mortician. Lawrence, 47, a NASCAR-loving single father, says he goes out and does what needs to be done during what he describes as a 25-hour-per-day, eight-day-a-week job that he loves. The Bowling Green native’s two children both graduated from Bowling Green High School, his alma mater. And you can call him Dwayne, because “Mr. Lawrence” is his father’s name.

Lawrence worked as an undertaker all his life and as a mortician for nearly 28 years, he said.

He spent the first year of his life in and out of hospitals throughout Kentucky. Maybe that explains his fascination with death, he said.

While growing up, he would bury a friend’s dogs for a quarter, and though his parents never quite understood his early entry into the funeral business, they supported him.

His mother used to say Dwayne teetered close to death at birth, so it seems fitting that most of his adult life revolves around death, he said.

“You cannot understand the feeling you get from helping someone in this town,” Lawrence said.

After two years at Western, an apprenticeship in Bowling Green and taking his national board exam, Lawrence began working for J.C. Kirby & Son Funeral Chapels and Crematory, where he still works 21 years later.

He also serves as chief deputy coroner for Warren County. He could and does get calls at all hours of the day and night. Usually his work schedule consists of 10 days on, and three days off — a “good shift,” he says.

He and his son, Matthew Lawrence, 21, have lived for 12 years in an apartment above the funeral home located on Broadway.

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Kris Childers, a senior from Hattiesburg, Miss., struggles to make out the words written on a Mount Mariah cemetery headstone. “One of our duties is to determine the technique used to write on the marker, but a lot of the more weathered markers are difficult to read,” she said.

Senior project is grave matter

NINA BOSKEN
Herald reporter

Kris Childers and Shayna O’Kelley spend their weekends making up stories about the deceased.

They joked that one man was 18 feet tall and hence, a professional basketball player in the 1800s.

The fact that the headstone and the footstone of his grave in Mount Moriah Cemetery were spread far apart lended to this story.

They made up stories like those to have some fun as they collected data about the inhabitants for a cemetery documentation project that’s been underway since October 2005.

Assistant Anthropology Professor Kate Hudepohl selects two anthropology seniors each semester to work on this project. This semester she chose Childers, a senior from Hattiesburg, Miss., and O’Kelly, a senior from Austin, Texas.

The research collected will be compiled into a genealogy database Hudepohl hopes to create in the future. Anyone will be able to access it. So far, the students have researched in St. Joseph Cemetery and Mount Moriah.

Hudepohl feels that this project gives

people a sense of Bowling Green history.

“You get a sense of the comings and the goings and that this is a part of the community,” she said.

She thinks this research is important because it preserves the lives of those in the past.

“It puts the word out there that there are people buried in the cemetery that don’t deserve to be forgotten,” she said.

Hudepohl got the idea for the project from Robin Zeigler, former historic preservation planner for the Bowling Green Warren County Preservation Board.

Zeigler wanted to document every cemetery in Warren County and she’s trained various people in the community on how to document the tombstones.

She trained Hudepohl and Hudepohl decided to turn it into a hands-on learning project.

“I think it enhances learning and makes students more connected to the material,” she said.

Childers agrees. “I was kind of excited about it because it’s something new, something different,” she said. “It’s not just sitting in a classroom.”

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PREVIEW

Festival to bring attention to autism

EMILY ULBER
Herald reporter

Mary Proctor's 8-year-old son, Phillip, has Autism Spectrum Disorder. It affects his ability to communicate. But after many different therapy services from professors at Western, Phillip is talking more. About one in 150 children have autism, according to statistics from the Clinical Education Complex. Autism is also the fastest growing developmental disability. "Now, when I say I have a child with autism, most people can normally tell me they know at least three other children who have it," she said. "Even if you don't have a child who has it, you probably have a neighbor or friend who does." The CEC will hold the inaugural Southern Kentucky Festival for Autism Awareness

from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday at Western. The festival should be a good opportunity for people who are affected by autism to learn more about it, said Mary Lloyd Moore, communication disorders instructor. "It's very important to provide an atmosphere for people to learn as much about it as we can," Moore said. The event, which is free and open to the public, will begin at Cherry Hall. Big Red will lead participants on a walk from College Heights Boulevard to DUC South Lawn. Events include a balloon release, inflatable activities, information and food booths and live music from the Ernie

Small Blues Band. Kids on the Block, an educational puppet troupe that offers programs for children with physical challenges, medical conditions and safety issues, will also perform. John Bonaguro, dean of the College of Health and Human Services, heard about a similar festival in Louisville last year. "I thought, 'wouldn't it be great to do that here?'" he said. Bonaguro said after he learned of the festival, he discussed the idea with the faculty of the CEC, and they decided to give Western its own festival. "Autism is a common thread that runs through many programs in the CEC," he said.

The CEC is made up of the Kelly Autism Program, the Early Childhood Center, the Family Counseling Clinic, the Acquired Brain Injury Resource Program and the Communication Disorders Clinic. All of those but the Acquired Brain Injury Resource Program deal with Autism Spectrum Disorder in one way or another, Bonaguro said. He said he hopes the festival will increase awareness about autism. "We hope to have a good turnout," Bonaguro said. "We've promoted it a lot, and it should be a sunny day." The Academic Transitions Program will have an orientation on Saturday. Bonaguro said the orientation would give the festival good visibility.

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PREVIEW

Concert aims to spotlight depression, addiction

RYAN FRANKLIN
Herald reporter

Life-controlling issues such as self-injury, depression, addiction and suicide have personal significance to some young Americans. Thousands will suffer the effects of these pains each year, according to the nonprofit movement To Write Love on Her Arms, which is dedicated to awareness of these issues. But according to Nancy senior Stephanie Hatfield, the real problem with these issues is that many who suffer do not open up and share their pain with others. Hatfield said that a stigma has been placed around these very personal dangers. An event called A Night of

Healing intends to be an outreach for those who are having problems with these potentially life-threatening risks. The event is a free concert at 7:30 p.m. today in DUC Theater. It is in support of the To Write Love On Her Arms organization, which has become part of a global movement for people who are battling these afflictions. The event is sponsored by the Baptist Campus Ministry's Social Justice Group, the Counseling and Testing Center, Housing and Residence Life, Dining Services and Crossland Community Church. "Our hope and goal for the event is that people will start talking about these issues," Hatfield said.

Hatfield said she hopes the event raises awareness for the services that the sponsoring organizations offer to help people with these types of issues. Bands performing at the concert include Micah, Backseat Goodbye and Jon Russellburg. Some band members will also share their experiences dealing with these types of issues. Other people will also speak about them. Attendees will have a chance to listen to poetry. Bowling Green freshman Jamie Lokey said the music that will be played appeals to a wide range of preferences. Lokey described Micah as a punk rock band, Backseat Goodbye as a single-man band and Jon Russellburg as an

acoustic guitarist. Lokey said that each of the bands have their own style that is different from the others. "No matter what you're interested in, you can come and find something that you like," Lokey said. Brian Van Brunt, director of the Counseling and Testing Center, said almost everyone knows someone who has been affected by these issues. Hatfield said that A Night of Healing aims to break the silence on these threats surrounding students. She said sufferers should know that there is help and that they are not alone.

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(Top left) **“She’s my medical adviser,”** said Kathy Manco, as daughter Cindy Williams, a Bowling Green registered nurse, peels the bandage from her IVs. Manco was diagnosed with cancer a month ago, and had her second chemotherapy treatment less than a week ago. She says the hardest part has been feeling weak all the time.

(Above) **A handful of dedicated musicians stroll** in at about 7 each Thursday night. The first two start tuning, and the others join in as more chairs are added to the circle. Robert Gilbert starts in on “Mountain Dew,” and soon harmonies grow as the banjos pick away and the fiddles pick up a verse. From left, Mary Rachel Nalley, 12, Alicyn Newman 10, Neal Lloyd, Phyllis Nalley, Josiah Newman, 7, and Guy Canler, pick tunes together late into the night.



(Above) **“Oh, we’ve been here since 19 and 60,”** said James Lyles, as he tinkered with the ancient machinery pulling feed slowly from the bulging silos. He has been working this land for almost 50 years.



(Left) **Plum Springs Montessori** is the busiest place in town on a Monday morning. While all residents seem to be headed out of town, a steady stream of small children knock on doors of two old white houses on Plum Springs Road.



(Left) **Two miles into the heart of Plum Springs, the new Baptist Church, on its 68 acres comes pops into view** as you turn the corner. The Rev. Robert Tarrence has been guiding Plum Springs Baptist Church since August. He was the music minister years ago, and then was called back to the congregation after the former minister left in a sea of controversy.

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Teaching isn't professors' only responsibility

JILL ERWIN
Herald reporter

Assistant English Professor Elizabeth Winkler spends ample time in her basement office in Cherry Hall, surrounded by bookshelves and filing cabinets filled with information on linguistics. More specifically, she studies the Creole language, a language with a mixture of French and Spanish words and sounds mostly found in Haiti and New Orleans.

But she doesn't just sit around and read about new trends within languages. She boards planes to Creole-speaking countries such as Haiti.

While she is well-traveled, she puts those frequent flyer miles to educational use.

Winkler learns how different countries use the Creole language and writes articles about her research. She then brings it to the classroom.

While she might be one of a handful of people who actually study Creole usage, she is not the only professor who researches selected topics in their field for publication.

Western encourages professors to publish work in their field, and it can be whatever type of writing that fits them, Provost Barbara Burch said.

"It is very important for professors to publish their work to give meaning and credibility to their fields and classrooms," Burch said.

Burch said opportunities for faculty to research and publish helps Western become a more credible university with diverse ranges of information.

"If we did not have professors publish their research, it would make our school a lesser quality of faculty," she said. "It helps students to have a higher quality of education."

Most of the time professors spend hours on research in a smaller section of their field, Winkler said.

"Students don't understand how much research their professors do," Winkler said. "It helps us as professors to stay current in our field and allows us to know more than what was available 20 years ago."

The research professors do helps bring new information to their fields and is supposed to benefit students who take



DANIEL HOUGHTON/HERALD

Linguistics Professor Elizabeth Winkler has written and published several articles and books, including her newest book Understanding Language: A basic course in linguistics.

specialized courses.

"It is great to have that outside experience," she said. "It is better to come back to my students with something interesting that I found and it makes things more real life. The research I do helps give me an authentic voice."

Professors having specific knowledge helps bring more information to students, Winkler said.

"This helps increase the body of knowledge on campus by having professors research and publish," she said. "Western is not a research institute, therefore it helps students because professors can spend more time educating students rather than researching for publication."

Jane Olmsted, English professor and women's studies director, has published three collections of Kentucky writing and several journal articles. To keep their jobs, professors must "publish or perish," she said.

To become published, most professors start with researching different publications that have the audience with their specific interest of their subject.

Manuscripts must be sent out to specific publication companies. The process is like a job interview in which the writer presents his or her work. Most manuscripts are rejected.

The publishing industry is very com-

petitive and unless the article is fresh and new to the publication, the editors will not find it relevant to the journal, Olmsted said.

"Every journal has their own voice and vision and unless the writer matches that, they will be overlooked," she said.

Bowling Green junior Jenny Gray said that she doesn't normally choose her professors based on if they are published or not. She doesn't check to see if they are published. But if they are, it helps her feel like she is getting the best education possible.

"I think it's an option that can broaden the study of their area and make them more informed," Gray said. "It makes me feel like they are credited and I feel like I am getting the best out of my classes."

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(Above) **Sophomore Sean Penhale** prepares for his race while listening to his iPod. “I listen to everything from metal to hip hop before my race,” he said. “It just helps me focus and believe that I can win and swim as fast as I want.”

(Top right) **Head coach Bruce Marchionda** looks on during Penhale’s race. The men’s team needed all the points they could get in the Sun Belt championship competition.

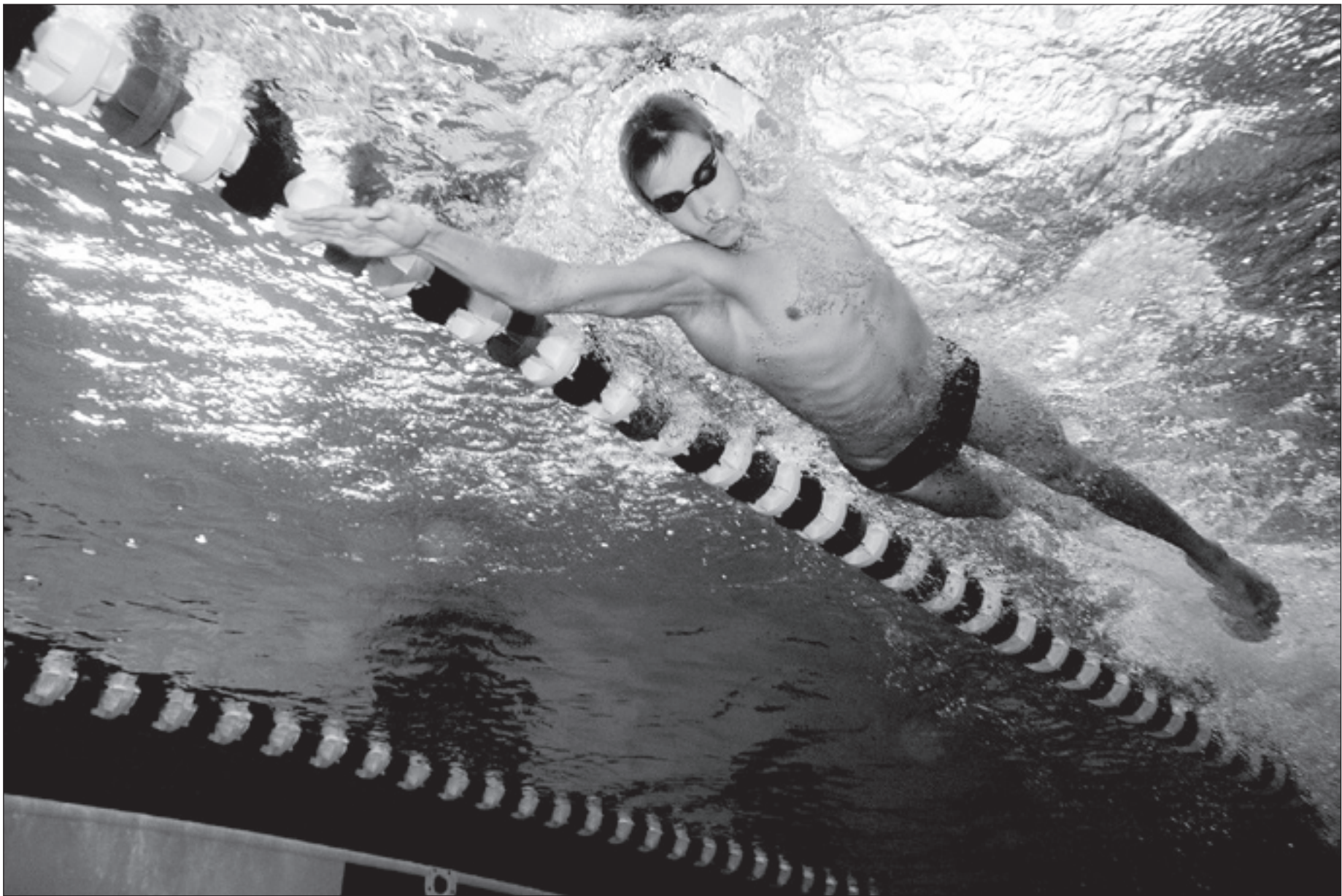
(Right) **Penhale practices** 24 hours a week even though the season is over. Olympic trials are only two weeks away, and preparing for the qualifying race is a top priority.

(Below) **Penhale cheers** on his team during the Sun Belt championship competition.

(Bottom right) **Penhale receives** his first place medal after winning the 1650 yard freestyle race at the Sun Belt championship meet. Penhale lost to Miami University, although it did not affect his standings in the Sun Belt. “I wasn’t really trying for my best time. I could have beat that guy but I didn’t want to injure myself before Olympic trials, plus his placement didn’t affect my points,” he said.

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Students help to safeguard ecosystem at Lost River Cave

EMILY ULBER
Herald reporter

Several Western students will remove invasive plant species from the Lost River Cave area on Saturday from 1 to 5 p.m.

Students from the American Humanities Student Association have partnered with the Friends of Lost River Cave to educate the community about the danger of invasive plants to the park's ecosystem.

The students have been working on making brochures and posters all year for the project. This Saturday, which is Earth Day, the project will culminate in a clean-up day at the cave.

The event is free and open to everyone in the community.

Community members will learn more about the invasive plants growing in the park, safe ways to remove the plants and indigenous plants that are good substitutes for the invasive ones.

The Earth Day event will focus on removing the winter creeper plant from the park area, said Annie Holt, operation supervisor for Lost River Cave.

The winter creeper is an ivy-like plant that invades forests across the state, growing in mats on the forest floor.

The invasive plants are killing the park's ecosystem, said Franklin junior Dana Adams, Western's primary organizer for the Lost River Cave event.

The winter creeper is too close to the banks of the river and the cave to remove with chemicals, so it must be removed by hand, Holt said.

It's important to remove the invasive plants because local birds and animals rely on the native plants for food, Holt said.

"We are a nature sanctuary," Holt said.

The student volunteers will lead community members around the park to find the invasive plants and show them how to safely remove them, Louisville junior Jessica Tinnell said.

Besides the winter creeper, there are about six invasive plant species in the area, including the Japanese honeysuckle and primrose species.

Birds often carry the seeds from these plants across state lines, dropping them in forests and parks. The growth of these plants interferes with the growth

of the native plants in the area, Tinnell said.

"This isn't going to be a problem that is going to be solved in one weekend," she said.

Tinnell said she expects Lost River Cave will keep promoting the invasive plant removal after this event.

Tinnell said she is hoping for good weather.

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— Jessica Tinnell
Louisville junior

of the American Humanities Student Association, Tinnell said.

The minor prepares students for careers in managing non-profit organizations.

The American Humanities Student Association has been sending out fliers to churches and nurseries, encouraging them to attend, Adams said.

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► NEWS BRIEFS

SGA to consider proposal to add majors to diplomas

The Student Government Association will consider legislation supporting the inclusion of majors on diplomas at its final senate meeting on April 22.

If the program is approved the registrar's department could implement the program by this May's graduation ceremony.

Registrar Freida Eggleton, who originally presented the idea to the SGA on April 1, said the program could be beneficial to a student who is employed in their field of study but could hinder graduates who obtain employment outside their field.

The legislation supporting the inclusion of majors on diplomas states that "a diploma symbolizes a student's hard work and

dedication, and such a diploma would add increased value to a student's diploma."

SGA president Jeanne Johnson, who is graduating this May, said that she hoped the senate passes the bill.


Eggleton said that the administration would wait for feedback from the SGA before proceeding with the program.

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Allen Redden, MD

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